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public opinion. It is an affair not of

parties, but of rings, or sections of parties.

And it is strangely dissociated with the

actual government of the country. If it

were unanimous it could still be very imper-

fectedly dependent on to represent the policy

of the administration or the voice of the people.

In the Spanish senate on Saturday a

Cuban senator asked the government

whether it was disposed to open negotia-

tions with England for the restitution of

Cuba. The minister of foreign affairs

said he regretted that the question had been

raised, as the Spanish republicans and the

country's position in Europe did not justify

any member in touching on so delicate

matter.

Mr. Settles, managing partner of the

Madley coal and iron company, North

Staffordshire, England, voluntarily increas-

ed the wages of his men ten per cent. re-

cently, and now he has told them that they

must contribute five per cent. of their in-

crease to the funds of the other colliers in

the neighborhood, who are on strike for a

similar advance, or else he will reduce their

own wages five per cent.

The Marquis of Hartington, in speaking

at Blackburn on Friday, declared that the

government was disappointed with the

results of its efforts for Ireland, but would

exercise all the powers of the law to main-

tain order. The failure, he said, was not

wholly due to the pervasiveness of the Irish

question, but was largely due to the fact

that the government was not yet exhibited, and the government

was bound to act with unswerving firmness

and inextinguishable patience.

Not since 1824 had a law that no

convict should be discharged from the state

until the expiration of the full term of

sentence (unless pardoned out), exclusive

of the time he has seen solitary confinement

for violating the prison rules, a third who

was imprisoned was lately kept 144 days

beyond his term of sentence. He used

the warden for illegal imprisonment, and

the court decides that he can recover, the

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He says it is paved with tobacco leaves.

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Oct. 14, 1881.

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County Council.

(From the Intelligence Report.)

Tuesday, Nov. 29.

The full session of the county council began this afternoon, the warden in the chair.

There were present, besides his honor the warden, the following councillors:

Jas. Haggerty, P. Vanhook, Dr. Faulk, S. S. Vandervoort, Robert Gordon, S. T. Wilcock, D. Kavanagh, D. Gilmore, John C. Rose, J. Tait, Donald Anderson, Thos. Walker, H. Ashley, M. Robertson, N. Vandyke, Chas. McDevitt, Wm. Sheehy, D. O'Donnell, Jas. Macgregor, M. Corrigan, Jas. Clark, J. M. Harvey, P. Gaucher, B. Blocker, T. P. Moore, J. Caskey.

The warden, having taken his seat and called the council to order, delivered the usual address.

Among other communications was one from the county clerk of Kent, enclosing a remittance to the effect that the government was memorialized on the subject of the prevalence of the worrying of sheep by dogs, and asking that steps be taken to prevent it.

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An account from Ritchie & Co., amounting to \$83, for carpet for the sheriff's office, was read.

Several petitions were read: one from certain ratepayers of Faraday and Herschel, asking for a grant of \$100 towards the repair of a bridge over the York branch, referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

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### Fancy Goods Counter:

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HOME MATTERS.  
Mamma was arrived too late.  
School commences next Tuesday.  
Mrs. J. J. Bates, of Kingston, is on a visit to Stirling.  
Mr. Bismont arrived from Dundee on Monday to spend his holiday.

The crack shot of the village will take part in a pigeon shoot in the cricket field on Monday next.  
W. W. Roush, postmaster at Stirling, paid a visit to his friends in this section at Christmas.

Frank Locks and John McDougall, students of the Toronto collegiate institute, are home for the holidays.  
At the school nominations on Wednesday Messrs. A. Chard and R. Williams were re-elected by acclamation.

If correspondents wish long articles inserted with few, they will have to reach this office before Thursday.  
The receipts of the M. E. Knox trust amounted to \$22.50. The evening was fine, and a good time was enjoyed.

Clarence Godden, who has a situation in the hardware house of Ross & Allen, Toronto, is on a visit home.  
The second hunting match in Huntingdon, on the 16th, again came off a victory for Mr. Thompson's side, scoring 75 points against Mr. Ross' 45.

A tea-meeting will be held in the Stirling Methodist church on the last Thursday in January, with a lecture on "Phrenology and religion" by Rev. Dr. Jeffers.  
There was no regular public examination of Stirling school this year, the routine examinations occupying the whole time. The result will be published as soon as received.

Young Samuel Donnan went through the ice into the pond Tuesday morning, and had a narrow escape from drowning. This was the third or fourth case of kind of a couple of days. Be careful, boys.  
The following is the report of the Fann Grove, which company, 1 lb. of milk received, 1144.22; 1 lb. of cheese, 114.70; paid stockholders, after deducting manufacturing expenses, \$30 per share of \$1000.

Not one of Stirling's past year's council is up for re-election. Beside the two doctors for the new year, the candidates for the council are Messrs. H. W. Smith, Dr. Demore, W. S. Martin, David Martin and J. McKee, the last having all retired. There are only four to be voted for.  
At the meeting of the school board on Wednesday evening, four applications were received for the positions of teachers of the two lower divisions. The secretary was authorized to advertise again in the *Obelisk* and *Mail*, and offer a salary of \$225 in each case. He was also appointed to take the school census.

S. S. Vandervoort, deputy reeve of Hawdon, suffered severely at the hands of our compositors last week. In reference to the application of Jonathan Thain for a grant to aid in building a road to the 12th con. line, the action to grant the petition was moved by Mr. Williams, not by Mr. Vandervoort, who was opposed to such action. The blunder was unfortunate. The same gentleman was represented in the list of out-of-pocket having received \$3.50 for services as a councillor, which should have been \$30.

A correspondent writes to the *Intelligencer* from Trow on the 27th: A Mohawk named Bill Thon was killed last Friday by a horse belonging to Andrew Young, a farmer in Huntingdon. It appears that a daughter of Finlay's had taken a couple of horses to water, when one came to her assistance, and was knocking the horse, when it turned and kicked him with both feet, knocking him down against the stall, where the animal continued to kick him until the girl climbed up and took it in the back. Decidedly an case attempt to rise, but sank again, and breathed his last without saying a word.

School Examination.  
The school examination for S. S. No. 8, William's Corner (Miss Palmer, teacher), came off on the 16th inst., and was a very interesting affair, there being about eighty visitors present. The children went through their different branches of study with the greatest ease and accuracy. Besides the usual exercises of the school, the following literary programme was gone through, being interspersed with the classes: Opening address; readings by the pupils in 5th, 4th, and 3rd; singing by the school, recitations by junior class, singing recitations, "Nobody's child," "Lay boys," etc.; dialogue, "The evil there is in it" (to school); dialogue, "Letter writing explained"; singing; dialogue, "The little peacemaker"; dialogue, "In and out" (on health); dialogue, "Teachers abroad—school as conducted twenty years ago." A specimen of penmanship by each pupil of the school

who writes, was distributed for inspection among the parents and friends.  
At the close of the examination, Mr. J. High was called to the chair, and said he could fill the chair with ease, but where the fire came in was making the speech. While sitting there his mind had gone back to thirty-five or forty years ago when there stood a low red house with a beehive, about 75 feet large enough for a pigsty. Then they had slates with holes bored in and legs put in for seats, and other things corresponding. He then spoke of the eccentric teacher, with his long-legged slacks, and about his visits to the school. The old friend babbled of study then taught were Bonny's spellings-book, the English reader, and arithmetic. When a scholar went through the rule of three, he was thought fit to graduate. He saw persons before him to-day who were little girls going to school at that time. They were now not only mothers, but grandmothers. The child who could pass his fourth book was now a young man as well posted as the teachers of those days.

Mr. Wootton, trustee, was then called on, and spoke highly of the way the school had been conducted and the progress made by the pupils.  
Mr. G. W. Vandervoort spoke favorably of the school. He had visited it at different times, and could see that the children were gaining very fast. If they could keep Miss Palmer for a couple of years, he thought they could turn out some as good scholars as any school in the county.

Mr. J. A. Vandervoort then spoke of the best school in the county. Forty years ago if a school-boy could tell how many twenty-five halves of wheat came to a \$1 a bushel, he was thought to be clever.  
Mr. Duncan crossed himself on the lateness of the day, and said he would refer his speech to Rev. Mr. Wood, who was full of speeches.

Rev. Mr. Wood said he always liked to get up near the chairman, so that he could look the people in their faces. Were he sitting below he could only see the backs of their heads, and the ladies most always had their well fixed. He spoke favorably of the examination, and also of the children's singing. If their voices were so pleasing to us here, what would it be when we get home to Heaven. He hoped that so might all be so happy as to gain a blessed peace and rest.

The teacher then distributed some sweetmeats among the children. Rev. Mr. Wood pronounced the benediction, and the school was dismissed.  
Charles Vandervoort presided at the organ. J. H.

Our Devil's Dream on Christmas Eve.  
As our devil walked homeward on Christmas Eve,  
With ink-bedraggled fingers, his heart in his sleeve,  
He thought of the many glad hearts in his place,  
And with anticipation slavers covered his face.

For the devil, you know, has a very hard job,  
And has mostly worse luck than e'er came from the pot;  
He rises at morn, with the rooster's first crow,  
And the way he must his him is not very slow.

The News-Argus office must be warned  
And the dirty old lamps cleaned within and without,  
Then with type-setting, wood-splitting,  
"Rolling," and such, he is so full that his leisure's not much.

But through it all he tries to keep civil,  
And so, on the whole, is not the worst sort of devil.  
"But here," says a reader, "kind Sir, you're disagreeing."  
If you don't keep your text, we will give you a dressing;

If we cannot do it, we know one who can—  
He lives in the suburbs—the *Obelisk* man.  
That settles the point, though we wove 'twere saying  
To see that lone star fight a battle without saying.

The devil walked homeward with step some-  
what slow,  
For he had a great problem to solve you must know;  
His heart had been gladdened by the sight of a dagger.

That gave a short sketch of a merry old  
Called S. Claus, St. Nicholas, Kris Kringle,  
et cetera.  
If the children are near, pray don't give them away;  
Who on Christmas Eve wanders about in the dark,  
Dart on mischief or fun, or some other great lark.

With velvet and his pockets, and e'en his  
Stuffed full of presents he looks like a  
Who had just run away with several toy-  
puppets.

And could hardly stand up without half  
dazed and  
The devil turned in to his humble shack,  
And thought that in sleep he had seen long the  
That was weighing down his unstarred  
soul.

For in this world's goods he was poor as a  
pole,  
From the little good reason to look for a  
dull lad.  
And a load of good things to rejoice the  
young years,  
And cause them to shoot and to leap on  
the wings of *rapport*.

So the arms and the peaceful embrace  
Of Morpheus, like golden, fell down  
his place.  
How long he had slept, or why he awoke,  
Was a puzzle, but he got a tremendous big  
big eye.

In the ribs, and jumped up, still rubbing  
his eyes.  
For there, right before him, much to his sur-  
prise, stood the queerest of beings that e'er he had  
seen—  
And there, in his wanderings some queer  
people, I saw—  
So, he said, and he happy as a lark could be.

He seemed the embodiment of all mirth  
he here below.  
His mouth broke a smile so bright and so  
wide.  
That it met way behind from the right and  
left side.  
With a dress all of furs of some animals  
strange.

That never had travelled this part of the  
range.  
With a lamp slung over his back with  
a shadow.  
And another on top of his little round head,  
In such hand a great bundle, and looking  
another on the devil, in a wrap good and strong.  
The last he showed with a final great and  
right up to the devil, and did it quite quick.

"Devil, take it!" he said with a sly lit-  
tle wink.  
And a smile so assuring it could not but  
sink  
Right to the heart of the youthful P.D.,  
Who wondered if there could not really be  
"Kind sir," he timidly ventured to ask,  
But felt as though called to a most pleasant  
task.

"Why is this then, and that thingy so?"  
Explains this strange problem, and don't be  
so slow.  
Why from his sleep should the P.D. be  
shaken?  
"Oh, little man, who this freedom have  
taken?"

"This is rich, oh, so rich, and, oh, it is  
glorious."  
That's fine strapping lad of your age and  
your craft  
Should not know Kris Kringle, who always  
has laughed at this night, when, happy  
and gay.

He could tell in his children and his com-  
plications say.  
For I love them, and come at this time of  
year.  
To bring them some presents, and lots of  
good cheer.  
You, devil, I see, are one of the crowd  
Of the News-Argus paper, that ever is  
found.

In advertising forth the wares and the  
goods  
Of merchants, and traders, and—Nick of  
the Woods!  
But hold! I'll show you at once my new  
stock.  
(That bundle's for you), and then you may  
know  
Your back to your dreamland of fancy  
and bliss.

For to-night I must make many calls like to  
this.  
Here's a package of groceries, and a fine  
lot of cheese,  
From a Craig & Brother's, besides hams  
and bones;  
You'll get courteous treatment from Bob or  
from Charlie,  
Who'll give you good value, and don't stoop  
to pique.

An order for a cook-stove, base burner or  
range.  
From H. & J. Warren, who'll give the right  
change.  
And do up your jobwork well, neat and on  
time.  
They deserve a good mention in prose or  
in rhyme.

A can of fresh oysters, a loaf of fresh bread,  
From young Johnny Shaw's, good luck to his  
head—  
He sells lots of groceries, confectionery,  
and so on,  
And if you get told you can sleep in his  
oven.

P. R. Fuller's next on this rather long list,  
And let's be represented by that and by this—  
That is a bonnet of Miss Johnston's own  
making.  
And this is a some-dry goods and groceries to  
take  
To your mother, who doubtless will find a  
good use  
To put them all to, you devilish good.  
Then from Gilbert's I have much the same  
kind of article;  
It's neat, cheap and good, and not the least  
particulate.

Of anything shoddy—there the thing never  
was.  
And here's a more of groceries from George  
die Lager's.  
As we're likely to have some rough winter  
weather,  
A can of fresh oysters, a loaf of fresh bread,  
From young Johnny Shaw's, good luck to his  
head—  
He sells lots of groceries, confectionery,  
and so on,  
And if you get told you can sleep in his  
oven.

From W. S. Martin & Co., for you see,  
Flash, Folly and Walter are the company  
three.  
George Reynolds, too, is a new man of his,  
And can make a nice shoe for a man or a  
mist.  
Will Calder can show, at his jewelry store,  
Clocks, watches, and rings, and fine things  
galore.

Forbes, sports, Xmas cards, charms, bracelets  
and lockets.  
We'll sell cheap for cash, if you've  
chink in your pockets.  
Here's an organ from Mendell to give to  
your sister—  
Carrying it on my back almost raised a blister  
on my sister.

Here are a dozen of the finest of mince!  
The flour is from Hart's, who delivers for  
nothing.  
Jas. Boldrick I called on; with Art versus  
Nature,  
He soon would have made me some more  
gentle creature;  
However, I'll give you the order, he says.  
Fashion becomes you, while I must remain  
Santa Claus.

If you wish to converse with the man in the  
moon,  
Frank will send him a message, with the  
answer "quick soon."  
Dr. Buller's drug store is just up North  
street,  
And from there I have several fine things—  
quite a treat.  
And Parker & Butler, too, keep a good  
string.

Of medicines patent and that sort of thing.  
I. Williams & Son have as complete a line  
in the store where Ross Boldrick used  
always to shine.  
As can be found; their goods are exquisite.  
I always buy largely from I make them a  
visit.  
And I wish—oh, how I am a pair of few fel-  
lows.  
That is, in a fact, as every one well knows:  
They'll sell you cheap chink, and Alex. will  
make it  
Into dollars that you think you will not  
take to take it.

At Mine & Cline's, too, a very large store  
of good goods, and I saw many more  
things that I cannot mention, the house,  
where I saw  
And then, while I slept, getting nag from  
the stable.  
And drive to the new firm of Mite & Co.,  
who show  
Where Lindsay will sell you a load of his  
show  
Of hardware of all kinds, forks, bells and  
jack-knives,  
Nails, putty and oil, saws, chains and screw-  
drivers.

From Franklin's I'll show you some per-  
fumes and notions,  
Dress, pants and paint oils, besides med-  
ical notions.  
The doctor he'd make business here,  
The way he and Parker but votes, air, is  
"some."  
Mac Seely will sell, if you have ready  
cash.

The cheapest and best, and that very fast.  
His goods are all new, his salmons polite,  
And his customers leave him all satisfied  
quite.  
I called at McKee's for the bundle of toys,  
Which are suitable either for girls or for  
boys.  
He sells you provisions, fresh groceries, and  
dishes.  
And told me to give you my very best  
wishes.  
At Taggart's I found candies, biscuits and  
pickles,  
And got Mr. Morgan to take me some pic-  
tures.  
Demill & Smith, though they're just lately  
started,  
Have an array of fine things that would  
cheer the heartiest.  
And George Hubble, too, has some very  
fine wares  
In bureau, sideboards, bedsteads, whatnots  
and chairs.

But now, as my call has been very much  
longer,  
Than I make to many who are very much  
stronger.  
I have a three line trip of old fashion,  
I'll wish you a fine Merry Christmas for  
certain.  
The devil awoke, and jumped up with a  
bound.  
But the little old man was not to be found.

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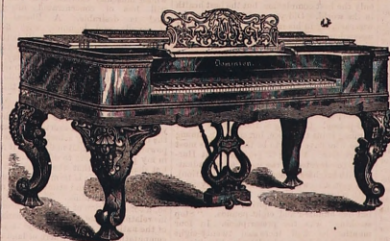
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